

Municipal Memo

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

CITY COUNCIL DECEMBER 6

• Held a public hearing and adopted an ordinance to amend the text of the Zoning Ordinance to allow vinyl siding to be used on manufactured dwellings; currently the Ordinance permits wood siding only.

• Held public hearings on requests from Ron Logan to have a 25 acre parcel of land withdrawn from special taxing districts when the parcel is brought into the Cannon Beach city limits. Council approved requests to remove the property from the 4-H and Extension Service district, Road District #1 and the Sunset Empire Park and Recreation special taxing districts. (A)

• Tentatively approved a proposal to amend the Zoning Ordinance to add a section concerning permitted materials in required front yards in residential zones. Staff was directed to prepare an ordinance for consideration at the next Council meeting. The intent of the proposal is to encourage property owners to provide living landscape materials in the required front yard area rather than paving or graveling the entire yard. The ordinance will be considered at Council's January 3, 1995 meeting.

• Made the following appointments to City committees:

Parks and Community Services Committee for three year terms: Barbara Gray, Tom Merrell and Ann Kramer.

Design Review Board for three year terms: Victor Plucy and Heather Webb.

Public Works Committee for a three year term: George Walker.

Energy Committee for three year terms: Jerome Arnold and Leon Cieloha.

Budget Committee: Patrick Nofield for a three year term.

• Approved a resolution providing for paving West Jefferson Street between Hemlock and Ocean, at the request and expense of the affected property owners. A public hearing on the matter will be held at Council's February 7, 1995 meeting. (B)

• Accepted a report from the Short Term Rental Review Committee and referred the report to the Planning Commission for action since amendments to the Zoning Ordinance will be required to implement the Committee's recommendations. The Short Term Rental Committee, comprised of members Mayor

Schwab, Councilor Kirk Anderson, Gene Cope, Laurel Hood, John B. Williams, Frank Chown and Ken Sawyer, made the following recommendations to Council regarding the city's licensed short term rental dwellings:

1. Establish stronger resident management control by revising the qualifications and duties of the local representative.
2. Consider making the occupancy limitations of each unit more realistic in relation to the size of the premises and the number of off-street parking spaces provided.
3. Make provision for random financial audits and building safety inspections.
4. Continue to allow the licensing of existing short term rentals for another three years beyond February 1997 but allow no new short term rentals.
5. These recommendations are not to be construed as changing any of the housing policies of the Comprehensive Plan.

• Council received additional information on raccoons, provided by the Code Enforcement Officer in response to several citizens complaints regarding raccoon/people encounters and property damage. Council agreed to direct staff to implement two of the Code Enforcement Officer's recommendations: to make a written "complaint form" available at City Hall to track the problem and to send a letter to all property owners regarding the inadvisability of feeding raccoons and making property owners aware of some of the raccoon-related problems that have occurred in Cannon Beach.

• John Williams reported that Council has held two executive sessions to discuss the potential effects of ballot measure 8 and has tentatively determined to extend the union contracts for city employees through June 1997. This action extends the period of time in which the city will continue to pay the 6% employee share of contribution to a retirement plan while litigation regarding ballot Measure 8 is being settled in the

courts. Williams reported that while extending the union contracts, the city was able to negotiate a cap on cost-of-living increases and increased health benefit costs. An additional effect of this action was to avoid the costs generally incurred in the negotiation process which requires City Manager and City Attorney time. Council formally took action to accept the negotiated contracts and to include the 6% retirement contribution pickup in agreements with the city's six non-union employees.

• Considered a request by David and Julie Brands to hold a de novo (new hearing with new evidence and testimony admitted) on their appeal of the Planning Commission's approval of a setback reduction requested by Steve Martin in conjunction with the addition of a third story to the Surfside Motel. (C) Council determined that the Brands' request for a de novo hearing did not meet the criteria established in the Municipal Code so the de novo request was denied. The appeal will be heard at Council's January 3 meeting, based on the record established by the Planning Commission; no new evidence will be permitted.

• Approved resolutions stating the city's intent to proceed with sidewalk improvements on the south side of Sunset Blvd between Hemlock and Spruce Streets. Council had tentatively approved a recommendation of the Public Works Committee last August to proceed with the development of sidewalks on Sunset Blvd from Hemlock Street east under the overpass and around to Elk Creek Road. (D)

• Council appointed Bud Kramer as one of the city's representatives on the Clatsop Economic Development Council (CEDC); Frank Little will continue to serve as the city's other representative to CEDC.

DESIGN REVIEW BOARD DECEMBER 8

• Approved Cannon Beach Rural Fire Protection District application for a new fire station to be located at 180 Sunset Boulevard. (E)

• Approved restroom replacement at Wright's For Camping located at 334 Reservoir Road. (F)

• Approved Knoodlez sign material review for sign made of leather. (G)

• Approved free standing sign replacement for Harrison St. Inn. (H)

• Approved addition to Parks maintenance building located at 247 N. Spruce for City of Cannon Beach. (I)

PLANNING COMMISSION DECEMBER 15

• Held a public hearing on the City of Cannon Beach application for an amendment to the Municipal Code section of the Limited Commercial (C1) zone standards to establish off-street parking standards in a defined downtown commercial district. Based on the testimony received, the Planning Commission referred the proposal back for another work session.

• Held a public hearing on the Community Presbyterian Church application for a conditional use to permit expansion of the church located at 132 E. Washington Street. The applicant is also proposing to remove the existing dwelling located at 172 E. Washington and develop the area as additional off-street parking. The applicant requested two variances in conjunction with the expansion: V 94-06 requests a lot coverage of 73.5% where the Municipal Code permits a lot coverage not exceeding 50% and OSP 94-02 requests 47 feet of access onto Washington Street in conjunction with the proposed parking lot where the Municipal Code provides that access is limited to a maximum width of 24 feet. The Planning Commission determined that 55 off-street parking spaces are required for the expanded church; granted the Off-Street Parking variance request; granted the request for variance from the lot coverage requirements and granted the Conditional Use request to permit expansion of the church. (J)

• Continued to January 26th the public hearings on applications from William Hay for Delta Trust and Pi Trust conditional use requests to permit Bed and Breakfasts at 1379 and 1381 Pacific in an R2, Residential Medium Density, zone. Delta and Pi Trust units are duplex units that are presently licensed as short term rentals. (K)

• Held a public hearing on Steve Martin applications for a conditional use, setback reduction and off-street parking variance in conjunction with the proposed remodel of the Wayfarer Restaurant. The proposed remodel would increase the existing first floor restaurant space by 1600 square feet and add a second story to provide a 3400 square foot meeting room/banquet facility. The Wayfarer Restaurant is located at 1190 Pacific Drive in an RM, Residential Motel, zone. The applicant requests a setback reduction to permit a 7.9 foot setback adjacent to Ecola Ramp Approach Road; the restaurant is presently non-conforming in its location 7.9 feet from Ecola Ramp where a 15 foot setback is required. In conjunction with the reconfiguration of the existing parking lot, the Planning Commission approved an off-street parking variance to permit 47 feet of access onto Pacific Drive. The setback reduction and conditional use requests were also approved. (L)

• The Planning Commission took public comment on the draft Parking and Traffic Management Plan for 1994-95 and will recommend approval of the updated plan to City Council.

• Held a public hearing on the City of Cannon Beach request for an amendment to the Municipal Code section on microwave receiving dishes to exclude dishes with a diameter of 30 inches or less from the requirements of the Code. The Planning Commission will recommend approval of the amendment to the City Council. If adopted by Council, the change will permit the installation of the new small microwave receiving dishes which are replacing the very large satellite dishes previously required for satellite television reception. The amendment will be considered at Council's January 3, 1995 meeting.

• Did not adopt final findings of fact, conclusions and orders denying Sub 94-02, Holland request for tentative plan approval for the Holland addition, a proposed 11 lot subdivision to be created from a 4.04 Acre parcel of land located east of Viewpoint Terrace, west of Spruce Street and south of Arbor Lane. New findings will be prepared for the January Planning Commission meeting. (M)

CITY COUNCIL WORKSESSION NOVEMBER 29

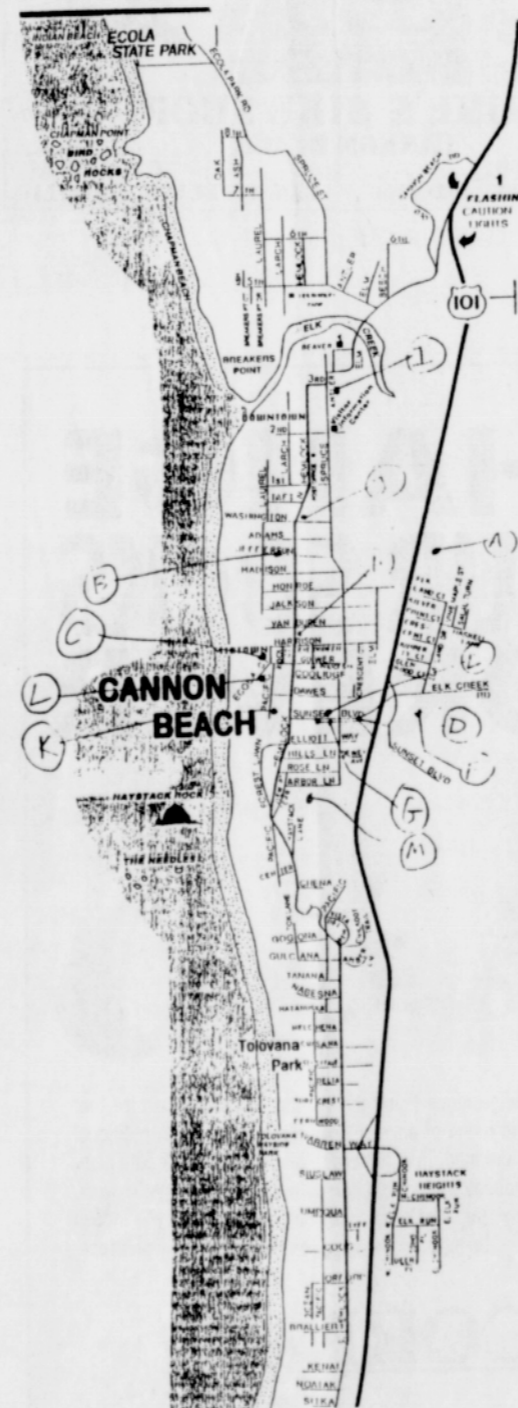
The City Council held a worksession to review the mission and activities of the Parks and Community Services Committee, the Public Works Committee and the Energy Committee. The chairmen of each of the committees responded to Council questions and discussed committee goals and accomplishments.

CITY HALL CLOSED FOR DECEMBER/JANUARY HOLIDAYS

City Hall will be closed Monday, December 26 and Monday, January 2 because of the Christmas and New Year's holidays which fall on a Sunday. The City will also be closed Monday, January 16 in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. day.

RECYCLE SCHEDULE JANUARY 1995

CURBSIDE	
MON. collection	9th & 23rd
TUES. collection	10th & 24th
WED. collection	11th & 25th
FRI. collection	13th & 27th
RECYCLE SATURDAY	
9 a.m. - 1 p.m.	7th & 21st



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PUBLIC MEETINGS

- JANUARY, 1995**
- 3** CITY COUNCIL, 7 P.M.
 - 12** PUBLIC WORKS CMTE., 4:30 P.M.
 - 18** ENERGY CMTE., 8:30 A.M.
 - 19** PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES, 9 A.M.
 - 19** DESIGN REVIEW, 6:30 P.M.
 - 26** PLANNING COMM., 7 P.M.

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